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MODULATION OF CELL MIGRATION

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Examiner: R. Shukla

File No.: 960296.95386

RESPONSE

Commissioner For Patents Washington DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In an Office Action mailed September 19, 2000, the applicants were given one month from the mailing date to respond to a requirement for restriction. Pending Claims 1-27 were grouped into two groups, namely Group I (Claims 1-13) drawn to a method for identifying a compound that modulates the function of a protein, and Group II (Claims 14-27) drawn to a method for identifying a nucleic acid that regulates migration of a developing gonadal cell.

The applicants provisionally elect Group I with traverse. The requirement for restriction is traversed because similarities in the claims warrant a sufficiently related search that restriction is not necessary. The treatment recited in Claim 14 can be construed as "treating a target organism having a developing gonadal cell responsive to the protein with at least one potential modulator of cell migration." Likewise, the step in Claim 14 of "identifying ... a nucleic acid sequence affected by the treating step" can be one way to "[observe] ... a change in migration or shape of the developing gonadal cell attributable to the presence of the at least one modulator." For this reason, applicants respectfully ask that the two groups be considered simultaneously and that the requirement for restriction be withdrawn.

No fee is believed due in connection with this response. However, should a fee be due in this or any subsequent response, please charge the fee to deposit account number 170055. Likewise, no extension of time is believed due. Should an extension of time be due in this or any subsequent response, please consider this to be a request for the appropriate extension of time and a request to charge any fee due in that regard to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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